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John Crook, William McDonald, James B. Hamilton, John Hamilton Jr.,
and James Price

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Middlebush, Sidney Pyram Epperson, George Thomas Giles, John Harry Murdoch
and James Wheeler Provest

Front Row
Nymphus Coniston Murdoch, James Dock Shanks

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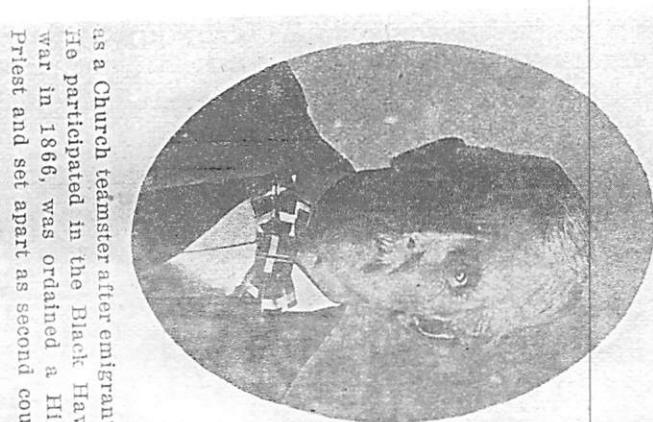
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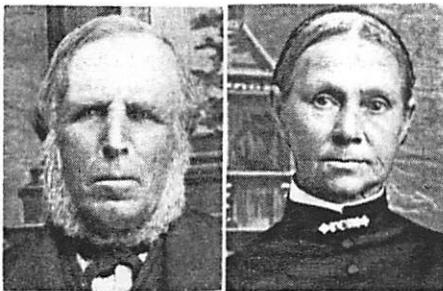
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GEORGE GILES AND MARY GREENWOOD GILES



George Giles was born May 19, 1823, in Lincolnshire, England, and died July 22, 1898, son of William Giles and Sarah Huskinson.

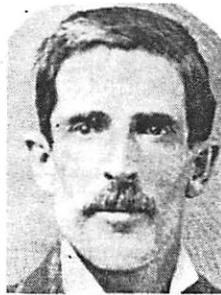
George Giles married Mary Greenwood on March 24, 1823, in Lincolnshire, England. She died March 25, 1913.

Children: Thomas Greenwood (Rachel Cummings), Heber John (Susie Witt), Mary Elizabeth (Joseph Moulton), and Charles (Grace Aird).

These people were born and raised in England. They came across the plains in August, 1856, settling in Provo. In the spring of 1860 they moved to Heber, Utah, where they lived in the fort and later built a nice brick house on Third North and Main Street.

Mr. Giles was a blacksmith by trade. He made plow points, etc., and was exceptionally good at his trade, having had several years apprenticeship in England. His shop was just south of his home and was built of logs. He was affectionately called "Uncle George Blacksmith." His home is now owned by a granddaughter, Mrs. Pearl Giles Forman.

LORENZO CHARLES GILES



Lorenzo Charles Giles, son of Thomas H. Giles and Elizabeth Moore, was born September 16, 1854, in Quincy, Illinois. He died November 23, 1895.

He married Bithia Shelton, daughter of Charles Shelton and Susan Jane Wilkins, and was born June 12, 1860, in Provo, Utah. She died June 1, 1933.

Children: Elizabeth Ann (Orson L. Moulton), Charles Lorenzo (Minnie Murdock), Thomas Albert (Hazel Lindsay), Franklin S. (Acie Provost), Ray (Trella Provost), Nellie Jane (Forrest H. Dayton), and Victoria (Brigham Horrocks).

When he was two years old he crossed the plains with his parents and two brothers and one sister. They arrived in Utah August 16, 1857, and made their home in Provo.

In June of 1860 they moved to Heber City, where Lorenzo received a good education. He was a favorite among the citizens of the community. He was a leader of the young people in the auxiliary organizations of the Church, the Church for which his parents left their homes to come West. He worked hard in all positions he held and was the first secretary of the YMMIA.

In the course of time he met Nancy Bithia Shelton and after a courtship of two years they were married by President Abram Hatch and later they went to the Endowment House in Salt Lake City.

They were soon settled in a home of their own and reared their family. They were doing very nicely when suddenly their hopes were brought to an end. Lorenzo and his

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brother Franklin were in Lake Creek Canyon, getting logs for fuel. When Frank chopped one tree down it hit another one which fell upon Lorenzo. It hit him on his head, giving him a skull fracture. He was brought home and lived but three days. He was a young man of 41, leaving behind a sorrowful wife and seven children.

NANCY BITHIA SHELTON



When she was two years of age she came with her parents to Heber City to make their home. She attended school here, where her father was the teacher.

In the fall of the year, when she was eight years old, she walked two miles barefoot to be baptized and had to cover the same mileage back to her home in a baptismal dress. She was 10 years old before she had her first pair of shoes.

She grew up to be an admired young woman.

Her husband was killed November 23, 1895. After his death she had to work very hard to support her family. She and her boys, the oldest being 15, managed the farm. Also she was a very good seamstress and often earned a little extra by using this talent.

Her oldest son died June 3, 1912, leaving a wife and three children. Ray lost his wife October 30, 1918, and so she lived with him and took care of him and his two boys. She was always willing to help with the sick whenever needed.

THOMAS G. AND RACHEL CUMMINGS GILES

On the 11th of July, 1860, Thomas Giles was born to George and Mary Greenwood Giles at Provo, Utah. This couple had crossed the plains and settled for a short

